

TO: MEMBERS OF THE MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

FROM: Donald Wiswell, CHAIRMAN

DATE: February 12, 2004

SUBJECT: MEETING Tuesday, January 6, 2004

The next commission meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 2, 2004** at the Maine Motor Transport, Whitten Road, Augusta. The phone number is 623-4128.

THE MARCH MEETING WILL START AT 9:00 AM

1. Approve minutes of February 9, 2004 meeting.
2. Discuss pending matters, complaints, responses, application, etc.
3. New Business.
4. Public Comments.

MAINE WATER WELL DRILLING COMMISSION

Minutes of February 9, 2004 Meeting

Members Present:

Ed Bowie, Driller
Marc Loiselle, MGS
Chris Olson, DOT
David Braley, DHS

Others Present:

Dean Getchell
Paul Gauvreau
Carol Champagne
Ike Goodwin

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

Approval of February 9, 2003 meeting minutes:

Two corrections made in the Mike Morin well paragraph. The well with radon is the original well not the second well and the drilling company is Goodwin Well and Water Inc. David Braley made a motion to accept the corrections and Marc Loiselle 2nd it. Approved unanimously.

Update on Complaints:

Mike Morin vs Conrad "Joe" Dube Well Drilling -The Certified letter came back undelivered so it was re-delivered by the sheriff. Goodwin Well and Water will be drilling a new well for Mr. Morin. A motion was made by Ed Bowie and 2nd by Marc Loiselle to have Dean Getchell inspect and camera the well that is the subject of this complaint. Motion passed.

Shawn Benoit vs Gerry Hill Well Drilling - The Hearing date has been set for March 8, 2004, at 9:00 am, in Ellsworth. Paul Gauvreau will check with the Hearings Officer to try to have the Hearing rescheduled as 9:00 AM in Ellsworth will be difficult for people from Southern Maine. David Braley will send the entire file to Mr. & Mrs. Hill. Dean Getchell will supply copies of the video tape of the well inspection.

Gregory Beane vs Carmel Well Drilling - Karl Rudnicki contacted Greg Beane and Mr. Beane spoke with David

Braley. Mr. Rudnicki must contact the Commission prior to drilling a replacement well so the Commission may convene to suspend the suspension of his license to drill wells. Mr. Rudnicki will have to seek reinstatement of his license through the Commission after completing the well.

Cheryl Cook vs Road Runner (Peter Peaslee)- The Attorney General's office has a date for the civil proceeding on March 3, 2004, on Unfair Trade Practices.

Hoyt & Cheryl Fairbrother vs Burnett Well Drilling - Mr. DeBeck's license has been suspended, he may appeal within 21 days from the time he receives the notice. David Braley will send a letter.

Paul & Linda Ronquist vs P. L. Jones & Son INC - The well was drilled on the property of Robert McKenny, not the property of the person who filed the complaint. A letter will be sent to notify the property owner of all that has taken place to date.

Serena Daigle vs Merl "Sam" Dunham Well Drilling - A sample of water was given to the Commission along with a video of the well. The Commission found no violation with the construction of the well. It was found to have weathered bedrock with a large amount of sediment. A Sediment Cartridge Filter or alterations to the well were suggested.

New Complaints:

David Killam vs Pine State Drilling - The complaint did not satisfy the criteria for a complaint by the Commission. David Braley will respond to the letter and explain this to Mr. Killam.

Complaints Closed

None

Specialty Wells

Judith Marquis & Harold Ames Jr. - Approved with 100' of casing or Jaswell type seals.

Examinations Requested

None

Examination Passed

None

Other Business

Steven Palmer has past the deadline to be grandfathered. We requested references to be more in depth and written by the people giving the references concerning Mr. Palmer's employment as a pump installer.

Wells Unlimited, Douglas Wright, requested to sit for the Master Well Drillers exam. The Commission found no reason to have someone take the exam when they are already licensed. The application clearly states the Chapters to study for prior to taking the exam as being from the textbook "Groundwater and Wells" second edition, by Fletcher G. Driscoll.

The exam is based on the construction of a well as presented in this text.

Meeting Dates for 2004

February 9, 2004	August 3, 2004
March 2, 2004	September 7, 2004
April 6, 2004	October 5, 2004
May 4, 2004	November 2, 2004
June 1, 2004	December 2, 2004
July 6, 2004	

Subject to change.

Meeting Adjourned Marc Loiselle made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Chris Olson 2nd it. The meeting was adjourned at 12:05.

The next Well Drillers Meeting will be:
Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at 9:00 am.